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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Atty. Docket: GARCIA-MARTIN=1

In re Application of:	)	Conf. No.: 6651
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GARCIA-MARTIN et al.	)	Art Unit: 3634
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Appln. No.: 09/581,946	)	Examiner: Curtis A. Cohen
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Filed: November 8, 2000	)	Washington, D.C.
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For: DOOR MODULE	)	June 7, 2002
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SECOND REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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We are in receipt of a communication issued by the Examiner on May 22, 2002. This communication is in response to our letter of May 9, 2002, in which we requested a new office action responding to our previous arguments.

The reason for that request was that, as the Examiner states in the communication of May 22, 2002, at least claim 30 was rejected on the same prior art grounds as in the previous action. Undersigned recognizes that the Examiner *additionally* rejected claim 30 on formal grounds. However, this does not change the fact that the previous prior art rejection was repeated, which means that applicant's previous arguments with respect to claim 30 are clearly not moot.

Therefore, wholly aside from the issued raised by the formal rejection, it is believed that applicant is entitled to a response to their arguments relating to the prior art rejection. The previous arguments simply cannot be

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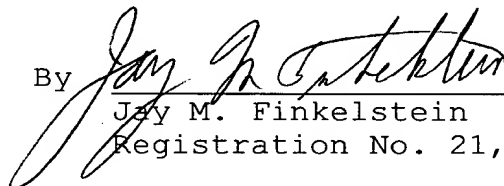
considered to be moot if the prior art rejection was repeated. It is believed that a prior art rejection signifies that the claims were considered sufficiently clear to enable them to be compared to with prior art.

Accordingly, it is again requested that applicant be informed of the Examiner's position with respect to the previous arguments relating to the prior art rejection of at least claim 30 and that this response be provided in a new action that sets a new period for response.

Respectfully submitted,

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